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DAN RATHER: Good evening. This is the CBS Evening News. Dan Rather reporting.

President Reagan tonight left the hospital after his first full battery of tests to check for any possible recurrence of the colon cancer he had last summer. Test results not yet reported tonight by the White House.

Bill Plante is there.

BILL PLANTE: As President Reagan departed the hospital after his exam for a long weekend at Camp David, he seemed encouraged by the results.

REPORTER: Mr. President, what did the doctors tell you?

PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN: Fine.

REPORTER: Any sign of cancer or tumors?

PRESIDENT REAGAN: Nope. Everything's fine.

PLANTE: Heading into the hospital this afternoon, President Reagan acknowledged that he was ready for this checkup, after admitting yesterday that he really wasn't looking forward to it at all. No wonder. The procedure, similar to the one shown here, isn't dangerous, but it is uncomfortable.

First, a colonoscopy to examine the President's bowel for new polyp growth and to take a look at the place where his surgery was performed last summer.

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